## Tidewater Women in Business

## Family Focused, Community-Minded Entrepreneur



andra Gardner is the owner of Fun Fetal Photos, a 3D/4D Ultrasound company in Hampton, as well as The Bodacious Bazaar & Art Festival, which is held at the Hampton Convention Center in November each year. She now has The Bodacious Boardwalk Bazaar that will be held at Fort Monroe on May 2, 3, & 4th 2014.

As owner of Fun

Fetal Photos in Hampton operating for over six years, she has had the privilege of scanning thousands of babies in the Tidewater area. Fun Fetal is a family-focused and affordable place where "we introduce you to your baby before you introduce your baby to the world," says Sandra.

Sandra started The Bodacious Bazaar in 2011. "It was an opportunity to bring a great three-day shopping extravaganza to our area and support several of our local nonprofits in the process," she said. The November show had over 300 quality vendors and close to 13,000 people attended. These shows have enabled her to give over \$20,000 in booths and money to our local non-profits, and the Blood Bank obtained over 300 units of blood—in just three years. She is thrilled at how the Tidewater area has embraced this show. Now she is excited to be adding The Bodacious Boardwalk Bazaar, coming in May, to her accomplishments.

Sandra's excitement is contagious, as she talks about the new show in May and what it will offer to this community. "What better place to have The Boda-

cious Boardwalk Bazaar than Fort Monroe," she said. "This former military base and historical site fits the plans that we have for this event perfectly—not to mention the absolutely beautiful boardwalk on the water."

The May show will have artists, vendors, and great food along the boardwalk. Plans call for horse-drawn carriage rides through the historical moat, Civil War reenactments, and much more. This will be an event that you will want to bring the family and stay the day or all weekend. The spring show will donate a portion of the ticket sales to the Fort Monroe Association, which will be the recipient for her spring show's donation.

As a nurse for 40 years in the Tidewater area and now a business owner for over six years, Sandra is devoted to her family and businesses and has shown a true commitment to this community. Sandra carries with her two inspirational writings with her and was quick to take them out of her wallet to share them.

- "There are two classes of people in the world.... Those who take the best and enjoy it, and those who wish for something better and try to create it. The world needs the appreciation of the first and the discontent of the second." Florence Nightingale
- "To accomplish great things, we must not only Act, but also Dream, not only Plan, but also BELIEVE." Author unknown.

"I carry these with me to remind me to stay the course," Sandra said. Her hard work, determination, and relentless energy have made a difference in many lives in our Tidewater area. \*



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